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INTRODUCTION

GAMMA I is a FORTRAN-compiled program for the IBM 704 Electronic Data-Processing Machine. It embodies a certain general, uniform procedure H of mathematical logic for seeking out a proof of any theorem within any mathematical theory which is given in formal axiomatic form.

The procedure H is theoretically complete. Using it, one will always discover a proof for a theorem if there is one to be discovered. However, as a practical instrument, the procedure H has severe limitations; in most cases of strong mathematical interest it calls for the execution of more steps than can be carried out in any reasonable time by the fastest machines ever likely to be available. The actual capability of GAMMA I is therefore no greater than these practical limitations inherent in the procedure H will allow. Nevertheless, GAMMA I is remarkably effective in a wide class of cases, including, for example, the modern algebraic theory of lattice structures.

Plans are afoot for GAMMA II, a program which will embody other theoretical procedures over and above the procedure H, and which will possess a capability much greater than that of GAMMA I. These plans are discussed in the sequel.

Prior to a detailed description of GAMMA I itself, an extended discussion is provided of the underlying method, and of the necessary background of mathematical logic. No knowledge of this field is presupposed. In the subsequent discussion of the computer program, however, it is assumed that the reader is reasonably well acquainted with IBM 704 programming, and in particular with the FORTRAN symbolic programming system.

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1. Introduction. The General Role of Modern Logic.

The discourse of mathematicians, when they are giving proofs and stating results, is carried on in one of the natural languages, such as English, liberally supplemented by a terse shorthand notation involving the letters of various alphabets printed in various types of formats, and by many special symbols, such as the equality or identity sign, the summation and product signs, and the sign for an integral.

Within such an enriched natural language the mathematician makes assertions, embodied syntactically in sentences, and furthermore he claims that some of the assertions follow from, or are consequences of, or are deducible from, one or more other assertions. In any particular case, to show that this is indeed so, the mathematician seeks to provide a proof of an assertion T from a set of premises, P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_n . The burden of the proof is to establish the fact that if the premises P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_n are true, then so must the conclusion, the assertion T, also be true. The question whether the premises $P_1, P_2, \ldots P_n$ are indeed true is a separate matter from the question whether, if they are, then the conclusion must be.

The apparatus of modern logical theory provides an exact analysis of the notions lurking behind the words and phrases underlined in the previous paragraph. A major contribution of modern logic has been the construction of a family of artificial (as opposed to natural) languages incorporating the fruits of this exact analysis. These languages are intended as precise counterparts of the enriched natural languages traditionally used by mathematicians, having at least the same expressive power as (and, in some cases, far more expressive power than) their natural cousins. The creation of these artificial languages is a twofold boon: first, a more finely tuned instrument is thereby provided for talking, thinking, and writing mathematically; but second, the language of mathematics is now exhibited as itself a precisely defined structure, capable of being mathematically studied in just the same way as groups, rings, fields, topologies, vector spaces, and other structures are studied in traditional mathematics.

Profound and beautiful results of far-reaching importance have already been obtained in the first few decades of work made possible by the second of these two boons. Several of these results are of importance for our present discussion. The first boon has not yet, however, been exploited systematically. We are just beginning to realize its power, with the relatively recent advent of large, fast, automatic, symbol-manipulation machines.

2. Predicate Calculi of First Order

One subfamily of artificial languages constructed in modern logic consists of the so-called predicate calculi of first order. There are many members of this family, some being but slight variants of others, some being very different indeed from others, but all having in common certain fundamental features which determine the family relationship. As the title given to the family suggests, the central notion underlying the whole family is that of a predicate.

We are used to the idea, in traditional mathematical usage, of formulating such inscriptions as:

$$2 \cdot x + 4 = 10$$
 (1)

and

$$12 \cdot y \ge 29 \qquad , \tag{2}$$

in which "x" and "y" are variables, thought of as ranging over some set (say, the set N of positive integers), "2," "4," "10," "12," and "29" as constants, "+" "·" as operations, and "=" " \geq " as relations. If we systematically replace "x" in (1) by constants denoting particular members of N:

$$2 \cdot 1 + 4 = 10$$
 , (1.1)

$$2 \cdot 2 + 4 = 10$$
 , (1.2)

$$2 \cdot 3 + 4 = 10$$
 , (1.3)

$$2 \cdot 4 + 4 = 10$$
 , (1.4)

etc., we obtain a set of specific assertions, some of which are false, others true, about members of N. In our example, (1.3) is true and all the rest false. Similarly, systematically replacing "y" in (2) gives

$$12 \cdot 1 \ge 29 \qquad , \tag{2.1}$$

$$12 \cdot 2 \ge 29 \qquad , \tag{2.2}$$

$$12 \cdot 3 \ge 29 \qquad , \tag{2.3}$$

$$12 \cdot 4 \ge 29 \qquad , \tag{2.4}$$

etc., a set of assertions in which (2.1) and (2.2) are false and the rest are true.

If we call the inscriptions (1.1), (1.2), ..., and (2.1), (2.2), ..., sentences, then the inscriptions (1) and (2) are revealed as things which give rise to sentences whenever one replaces the variables which occur within them by constants, or, in other words, by names of individual entities from the set which is the range of the variables. These syntactical things are called predicates. They may have many variables, not simply one, as our examples have, and each variable may occur many times, not just once, as in our examples. Thus, e.g.,

$$3x^2 + 4x + 2y + y^2 + z = w + 3w^3 - z^2$$
 (3)

contains the four variables "x," "y," "z," and "w," each with two occurrences.

So far our examples of predicates have involved just one <u>type</u> of variable (i.e., all ranging over the same set). But we can generalize this feature by introducing other variables of different types, with different sets to range over. Consider, for example:

$$R(\beta(\alpha(2,x), 4), 10)$$
 , (4)

which was obtained from (1) first by writing (1) in the form

$$=(+(\cdot(2,x), 4), 10)$$
 , (5)

that is, by writing operators (or function signs) prior to their parenthesized arguments, and relation signs prior to their parenthesized arguments; and second by replacing "=," ".", and "+" by variables "R," "a," and " β ." We now may think of (4) as being a predicate containing variables of different types: "R" has for its range the set G of all relations on N (a set of which the identity relation is just one member); "a" and " β " have as their ranges the set F of all binary functions over the set N (sum and product being just two particular members of this set); while 'x' as before has as its range simply the set N itself.

The <u>predicate</u> (4) becomes a <u>sentence</u>, embodying a specific assertion, whenever "R" is replaced at each of its occurrences by the name of something in G, ' α ' and ' β ' are replaced at each of their occurrences by the names of things in F, and 'x' is replaced at each of its occurrences by the name of something in N. Indeed, we may envisage theoretically the results of doing this replacement in all possible ways (of which there are denumerably infinitely many!) to obtain the set I of <u>all</u> the (denumerably many) sentences which are <u>instances</u> of the predicate (4). Then each member of I is either <u>true</u> or <u>false</u>, depending on which specific replacements were used to obtain it from (4).

A further generalization from these illustrations is required. In our example, we have used binary relations and binary functions only: but in general we may work with any (finite, positive) number of arguments for both relations and functions, and not just two as in our example.

These considerations underlie the specifications of that one of the predicate calculi of first order which we shall first consider.

We provide, for this language, an unlimited supply of each of the following categories of symbols:

A. Relational variables.

B. Functional variables.

$$\alpha$$
, β , γ , α_1 , β_1 , γ_1 , α_2 , ...

C. Individual variables.

$$u, v, w, x, y, z, u_1, v_1, w_1, x_1, y_1, z_1, u_2, \dots$$

D. Relational constants.

$$=$$
, \geq , \leq , $<$, (ad libitum)

E. Functional constants.

F. <u>Individual constants</u>.

$$0, 1, 2, 3, ..., \pi, e, ..., (ad libitum)$$

and the three "grouping" symbols "(", ")", and ",". We then define two different classes of strings of these symbols, terms and predicates:

Terms

- (a) An individual constant is a term.
- (b) An individual variable is a term.
- (c) If \mathcal{A} is a functional variable or a functional constant, and \mathcal{I}_1 , \mathcal{I}_2 , ..., \mathcal{I}_k are terms (with $k \geq 1$) then

$$A(\mathcal{I}_1, ..., \mathcal{I}_k)$$

is also a <u>term</u> (i.e., the string consisting of \mathcal{A} , followed by a <u>left parenthesis</u>, followed by \mathcal{I}_1 , followed by a <u>comma</u>, followed by \mathcal{I}_2 , etc.).

Predicates

(d) If \Re is a relational variable or a relational constant, and $\mathcal{J}_1,\ \mathcal{J}_2,\ \ldots,\ \mathcal{J}_k$ (with $k\geq 1$) are terms, then

$$\Re(\mathcal{I}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{I}_k)$$

is a predicate.

It will be noted that the exact definition of <u>predicates</u> given above includes, as special cases of predicates, those which contain no variables, and hence are sentences:

Sentences

Any predicate which contains no variables is a sentence.

We now introduce some further ideas, based upon the fact that it is possible and indeed customary and indispensible to make new predicates out of old. There are two ways in which this is done, truth-functional combination and quantification, both of which have intuitive counterparts in the natural language.

Thus we introduce, as a further supply of symbols, the following five:

and state formally the following addition to the definition of predicate:

(e) If P is a predicate, then so is $\sim P$; if P and Q are both predicates, then ($P \otimes \overline{Q}$), ($P \vee \overline{Q}$), ($P \rightarrow Q$), and ($P \leftrightarrow Q$) are each also predicates.

Informally, the symbol "~" is intended to correspond to "it is not the case that," and is called the negation sign: "&" is intended to correspond to "and," "v" to the legalistic barbarism "and/or," and they are called, respectively, the conjunction sign and the disjunction sign; finally "—" is intended to correspond to "if ... then," and "\leftarrow" to "if and only if," and they are called, respectively, the implication sign and the equivalence sign.

Our original supply of predicates (those given by part (d) of the definition of <u>predicate</u>) are now called <u>atomic</u> predicates, while those constructed via <u>part (e)</u> of the definition are called compound predicates.

So much, for now, for the first method of constructing further predicates from given ones, by truth-functional combination.

The second method, <u>quantification</u>, is intended as an exact counterpart of the natural language <u>phrases</u> "for all" and "there exists." For instance, harking back to example (1), we may say (falsely):

"For all x,
$$2x + 4 = 10$$
" (6)

or we may say (truthfully):

"There exists an x such that
$$2x + 4 = 10$$
". (7)

Two facts are noteworthy about (6) and (7). First, even though they contain variables, they are <u>sentences</u>, that is, they make specific assertions and are hence either true or false. The variables which they contain are not, as in our earlier examples, capable of being replaced by constants to produce sentences; on the contrary, if we replace them by constants we get gibberish, e.g.,

"For all 3,
$$2 \cdot 3 + 4 = 10$$
" (8)

"There exists a 17 such that
$$2 \cdot 17 + 4 = 10$$
" . (9)

We therefore say that the variables are <u>dummy</u> variables, or that they have been "<u>killed</u>" or "<u>bound</u>" by the phrases "for all ..." and "there exists"

The second noteworthy fact about (6) and (7) is that their truth or falsity depends on that of sentences which are <u>instances</u> of the predicates from which they were obtained. Thus (6) is true just in case <u>all</u> the instances of (1) are true sentences, while (7) is true just in case not all of these instances are false.

We incorporate these ideas into our artificial language by adding the symbols "E" and "A" to our stock of symbols, and by appending a third clause to our definition of <u>predicate</u>:

(f) If V is an individual variable, and P is a predicate, then $(A \ V) \ P$ and $(E \ V) \ P$

are both also predicates.

In order to make precise the notions of <u>dummy</u> variables or <u>bound</u> variables, we must now add the following formal characterization:

- (g)(i) Each occurrence of any individual variable appearing in an atomic predicate is a free occurrence of that variable in that predicate.
 - (ii) Free occurrences of variables in P and Q remain so in (P & Q), $(P \lor Q)$, $(P \to Q)$, $(P \to Q)$, and $\sim P$, $\sim Q$.
- (iii) Each occurrence of $\mathcal V$ which is free in $\mathcal P$ is bound in $(A\mathcal V)\mathcal P$ and in $(E\mathcal V)\mathcal P$, and is furthermore bound by that particular occurrence of "A" or "E." (In addition, that occurrence of $\mathcal V$ immediately after "A" or "E" is also bound in $(A\mathcal V)\mathcal P$ or $(E\mathcal V)\mathcal P$, and is likewise bound by that particular occurrence of "A" or "E.") All other free occurrences of variables in $\mathcal P$ remain free in $(A\mathcal V)\mathcal P$ and $(E\mathcal V)\mathcal P$. $(A\mathcal V)\mathcal P$ is called the scope of that occurrence of "A," likewise for "E." The group of symbols " $(A\mathcal V)$ " is called a universal quantifier: " $(E\mathcal V)$ " is called an existential quantifier.

Informally, in examining a predicate to determine which occurrences of its variables are bound and which free, and, if bound, by what occurrences of "A" or "E," we work from the "inside" of the predicate to the "outside," by starting with those innermost occurrences of "A" or "E" which have no other quantifiers in their scopes, and allotting to them any occurrences of 'their' variables which occur in their scopes. Then we repeat this operation for the other quantifiers, repeatedly taking the innermost quantifier not yet treated, allotting to them all <u>free</u> occurrences of their variables inside their scopes (for now there may be some bound occurrences, owned by quantifiers inside the scope, which have therefore already been allotted).

Thus, every occurrence of every individual variable in every predicate is either free or bound, and, if bound, bound by one and only one quantifier: and we can always determine the unique way in which this must be the case.

This completes the morphology of our language. We comment here that the restriction of quantification to individual variables is what determines our language to be a predicate calculus "of first order"; languages in which quantification over relational variables and functional variables are also studied are designated as being of higher order than the first.

3. Interpretations. Validity, Satisfiability, Consequence.

We have already, in our informal preliminary discussion, touched upon the interpretation of this artificial language

No specific interpretation is provided for the language defined above. Indeed, it is a "general-purpose" language, and there comes with it a set of instructions as to how to make your own interpretation suitable to the job you have in mind in using the language. The instructions are these:

- A. Choose a specific set S as the <u>range</u> of each individual variable, and to each member of S allot a unique distinct one of the individual constants to be its <u>name</u>. (You may have a lot of individual constants left over, with nothing in S to name; if so, forget about them.)
- B. Now consider successively the set of all <u>singulary</u> functions from S to S, all <u>binary</u> functions from SxS to S, and so on; these sets are to be, respectively, the ranges of any functional variable which occurs in a predicate with one, two, ..., arguments.
- C. Allot to each member of each of these sets of functions over S, exactly one of the functional constants to be its name.
- D. Do the same as in B and C, for all the singulary, binary, ..., relations over S, assigning thereby ranges to all occurrences of relational variables, and assigning distinct unique relational constants as names for the distinct relations over S.

Notice that the only <u>choice</u> you have in making an interpretation is of the initial set S, and of the <u>names</u> of the various entities thus determined from the stock of general-purpose names provided for you by the language. Once you have done this, the status of all predicates of the language is uniquely determined except those containing unused names, which we ignore in what follows. In particular, the truth or falsity of each <u>sentence</u> is completely fixed by your choice of S and your assignment of names. Two other labels are provided in order to assign a status to predicates which are not sentences. We say that a predicate is <u>satisfiable in</u> an interpretation if <u>not all</u> of the sentences which are its instances are false in the interpretation; a predicate is <u>valid</u> in an interpretation if <u>none</u> of the sentences which are its instances are false in the interpretation.

Now it makes at least as much sense here as anywhere else in mathematics to pass to the notion of all possible sets S which might be chosen as the initial set for an interpretation of our general-purpose language, and thence to the class of all possible interpretations which the language can be given. In terms of this idea, we can assign absolute statuses to the predicates as follows: a predicate is valid (period) just in case it is valid in all interpretations; a predicate is satisfiable (period) just in case there is at least one interpretation, among all the possible interpretations, in which it is satisfiable.

We are now at a point where we can define exactly what is meant by saying that in our language a sentence T "follows from" or " is a consequence of" one or more other sentences P_1, \ldots, P_n . The definition is this: T is a consequence of P_1, \ldots, P_n just in case that T is true in every interpretation in which P_1, \ldots, P_n are each true. (It might also be true in other interpretations besides, but it must at least be true in the ones stated.)

The reader may be thinking that these definitions of "validity," "satisfiability," and "consequence" are highly impractical to use as a down-to-earth means of assigning a status to a predicate, or of determining whether one sentence is a consequence of one or more others. He is right. They are. But they are not intended as practical criteria for determining these properties of predicates, but rather only as analyses of the actual content of these notions in general mathematical (i.e., set-theoretic) terms. For practical purposes, we pass now to another set of concepts and definitions which <u>are</u> intended, in a down-to-earth sense, to be usable by people and machines.

4. Deduction; Proof; Theorems; The Decision Problem.

The criterion for determining whether a sentence T is a consequence of one or more other sentences P_1 , P_2 , ..., P_n given in the previous section is not, in general, practically applicable, since it involves the totality of possible interpretations. A different kind of criterion, whose application depends only on the immediate syntactical structure of the sentences in question, is therefore provided. In outline, the criterion consists of a small set of structural relationships which one sentence T can have with respect to a set of other sentences, P_1 , P_2 , ..., P_n . In any particular case, where a sentence T does in fact bear one of these relationships to a set P_1 , P_2 , ..., P_n , we say that T is immediately deducible from P_1 , P_2 , ..., P_n by virtue of the relationship in question. Each of the relationships is carefully defined so that the question as to whether it does or does not obtain between a sentence T and a set of sentences P_1 , P_2 , ..., P_n is always effectively decidable by a mechanical procedure which is uniform and which is a part of the specification of the relationship.

If we have a sequence T_1 , T_2 , ..., T_m of sentences with the property that each T_i , $1 \le i \le m$, in the sequence <u>either</u> (a) is itself one of a given set of sentences P_1 , ..., P_n , <u>or</u> (b) is <u>immediately deducible</u> from a set of sentences each of which occurs earlier in the sequence, then we say that the sequence is a <u>deduction</u> of its last member, T_m , <u>from</u> the set P_1 , ..., P_n as premises.

The question whether a given sequence of sentences, alleged to be a deduction of its last member from a given set of sentences, is or is not indeed such a deduction, is again mechanically decidable in a uniform way.

What is not, alas, a mechanically decidable question is whether or not for a given sentence T and a given set $P_1,\,P_2,\,\ldots,\,P_n$ of sentences, there exists a deduction of T from $P_1,\,P_2,\,\ldots,\,P_n$ as premises. The proof that this question is not mechanically answerable by "Yes" or "No" through application of an algorithm is one of the great results of modern logic. It was first given in 1936 by Alonzo Church of Princeton University. This is not the place to discuss this matter at any more length. Suffice it to say that, as will appear in the sequel, there are mechanical methods which will uniformly determine a deduction of a sentence T from a set $P_1,\,P_2,\,\ldots,\,P_n$ of sentences, provided that such a deduction exists; but if no deduction exists, these methods will, in general, never terminate in a discovery of this non-existence. They are, therefore, only "semi-algorithms," capable only of answering "Yes," not capable, in general, of answering "No."

A second great result of importance here was first given by Kurt Gödel in 1931. It is that any sentence T which is <u>valid</u> in the sense of the previous section can be obtained as the last member of a deduction from the <u>empty</u> set of premises. (This property is known as the <u>completeness</u> of the deductive apparatus of the language.) It is also the case that only valid sentences can be so obtained. Thus, although the characterizations are utterly different, the concepts of <u>validity</u> and <u>deducibility</u> from the empty set of premises in fact determine precisely the same class of sentences.

It would require too much space to discuss the details of the relationships governing immediate deducibility. Excellent accounts are available in the literature [see especially W. V. Quine's Methods of Logic, Revised Edition, Holt-Dryden (1959) and P. Suppes' Introduction to Logic, Van Nostrand (1957)], but each differs from the other in various ways which do not affect the completeness and consistency properties. For our purposes, we note just one of the deducibility principles, namely, that if a sentence S is deducible from premises P_1, \ldots, P_n , then the sentence $(P_1 \rightarrow (P_2 \rightarrow \ldots (P_n \rightarrow S)\ldots))$ is deducible from no premises at all, and is therefore valid (or "logically true") by virtue of Gödel's completeness theorem. Hence, to every deduction there corresponds a valid sentence, and the question whether a sentence T can be deduced from premises P_1, \ldots, P_n is equivalent to the question whether the sentence $(P_1 \rightarrow (P_2 \rightarrow \ldots (P_n \rightarrow S)\ldots))$ is valid. Since the first question admits of no algorithmic method for its settlement, neither can the second.

Now the question whether a sentence S is valid is equivalent to the question whether its negation, $\sim S$, is satisfiable (to be precise, S is valid just in case $\sim S$ is <u>not</u> satisfiable). And the negation of $(P_1 \longrightarrow (P_2 \longrightarrow ...(Pn - S) ...))$ is $(P_1 \& P_2 \& ... \& P_n \& \sim S)$, where inner parentheses have been omitted for the sake of revealing the pattern. If, therefore, we could show $(P_1 \& P_2 \& ... \& P_n \& \sim S)$ to be <u>unsatisfiable</u>, we would have shown that <u>S is</u> deducible from $P_1, ..., P_n$ as premises.

But this is just the general problem of theorem proving in axiomatized mathematical theories. Let the axioms of a theory be written as sentences P_1, \ldots, P_n of the first-order predicate calculus given here, and let the theorem to be proved be written as a sentence T. To prove that T is a theorem of the theory embodied in the axioms P_1, \ldots, P_n is then essentially the same task as that of showing the single sentence $(P_1 \& P_2 \& \ldots \& P_n \& \sim T)$ to be unsatisfiable.

CHAPTER II. THE PROCEDURE H.

1. Prenex Conjunctive Normal Form. The Procedure H.

There is a straightforward technique [described in Quine, op. cit., or in Hilbert and Ackermann's Mathematical Logic, Chelsea (1950)] whereby any sentence of the predicate calculus can be put into a certain standard form called the prenex conjunctive normal form. In this form, all the quantifiers (if any) of the sentence occur at the beginning, and jointly comprise the prefix of the sentence. Furthermore, the predicate part of the sentence (often called the matrix) has the form of a conjunction of disjunctions, each member of which is either an atomic predicate or the negation of an atomic predicate.

In preparing to carry out the procedure H in order to show a sentence $(P_1 \& P_2 \& \dots \& P_n \& \sim S)$ inconsistent, we first reduce P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n , and $\sim S$ to prenex conjunctive normal form, each separately from the other. This step results in a finite list of sentences each beginning with a finite sequence of quantifiers.

The second step is to drop, from the front of the first sentence which begins with an <u>existential</u> quantifier, that existential quantifier, and to replace each occurrence of the variable thus freed by an individual constant (the same one at each occurrence) which does not occur elsewhere anywhere in the list of sentences. This operation is repeated until each sentence begins either with a universal quantifier or with no quantifiers at all.

(These two steps must be performed prior to inputting the sentences to the program GAMMA I.)

Now we proceed to append successively to the list of sentences further sentences obtained by systematically dropping initial quantifiers from earlier sentences in the list and replacing the variables, thus freed, by systematically chosen individual constants. (In what follows, we employ numerals as the individual constants.) The systematic method is given as follows:

Suppose the list at the n^{th} step of this process consists of the sentences S_1, S_2, \ldots, S_p , and that the largest numeral to have been used so far as an individual constant is ϕ . Then:

(i) If S_p begins with an existential quantifier, let S_{p+1} be the sentence obtained from S_p by dropping that existential quantifier, and replacing each of the occurrences of the variable thus freed by the numeral φ+1. (ii) If S_p does not begin with an existential quantifier, let Ψ be the earliest numeral with which some universally quantified sentence on the list has not yet been instantiated; if $\Psi > \phi$, the process terminates. Otherwise, let S_j be the first universally quantified sentence on the list which has not yet been instantiated with Ψ , and let S_{p+1} be the result of instantiating S_j with Ψ .

Successive sentences added in this way are all <u>consequences</u> of the original starting list. There is a great theorem, first proved by <u>Jacques</u> <u>Herbrand</u> in 1930, that the conjunction of the sentences in the starting list is unsatisfiable just in case, for some integer x, the conjunction of the first x sentences on the <u>generated</u> list is <u>truth functionally</u> unsatisfiable. Furthermore, we can drop from this conjunction any sentences that begin with quantifiers, and consider only the conjunction of the <u>quantifier-free</u> sentences (i.e., those containing no variables).

But we can always test the quantifier-free conjunction of sentences at any point in the generating process and arrive at a decision algorithmically whether or not it is truth-functionally unsatisfiable, and thus, if there \underline{is} an x at which the conjunction of all the quantifier-free sentences up to and including $S_{\mathbf{X}}$ is unsatisfiable, we shall certainly find it, and thereby have proved that the original list of sentences is inconsistent, and that therefore the associated deduction can be made.

Earlier attempts to mechanize this method were handicapped by a lack of an efficient method for testing for truth-functional unsatisfiability. But recently, Martin Davis and Hilary Putnam (A Computing Procedure for Quantification Theory, Journal of the Association for Computing Machinery, Vol. 7, No. 3, July 1960) gave a remarkably efficient method which is now described here, slightly modified. An elegant and useful additional feature (due to Herbert L. Gray) has been added.

2. The Truth Functional Method of Davis and Putnam

The conjunction of a finite number of sentences, each of which is in conjunctive normal form (i.e., is a conjunction of disjunctions of atomic sentences), is itself a sentence in conjunctive normal form. Let A_1,\dots,A_k be the distinct atomic sentences occurring anywhere in the conjunction. Each disjunction contains one or more members of the set $[A_1,\dots,A_k]$, either negated or unnegated (but not both A_i and $^\sim\!A_i$, for any i). The question whether the entire conjunction is satisfiable or not is the question whether or not truth values can be assigned to each of the A_i in such a way that each disjunction in the conjunction is made true. In order to make a disjunction true, one need only make at least one of its members true. If none of the 2^k possible assignments of truth values to the set $[A_1,\dots,A_k]$ makes the whole conjunction true, then it is unsatisfiable; otherwise it is satisfiable.

The Davis-Putnam procedure consists of eliminating successively each atomic sentence from the conjunction until either all of them are eliminated (in which case the original conjunction was satisfiable) or a stage is reached at which two different disjunctions are obtained, both containing only one member, such that the member of one disjunction is the negation of the member of the other. Specifically, we perform the following process:

- If the conjunction is now empty, then the original conjunction was satisfiable. The process terminates.
- 2. Otherwise, if, in the current conjunction, each disjunction contains at least one unnegated atomic sentence, then the original conjunction is satisfiable; likewise if each disjunction contains at least one negated atomic sentence. The process terminates. (This step is due to Herbert L. Gray.)
- Otherwise, if the current conjunction contains a pair of disjunctions whose only members are, respectively, an atomic sentence and the negation of the same atomic sentence, the original conjunction is unsatisfiable, and the process terminates.
- 4. Otherwise, if there is at least one disjunction which contains only one sentence (either an atomic sentence or the negation of an atomic sentence), we delete from the conjunction all disjunctions containing that sentence, and delete all individual occurrences of its negation (~S is the negation of S, and S the negation of ~S) wherever they occur. Then return to step 1.
- Otherwise, if any atomic sentence occurs only unnegated throughout the entire conjunction, or occurs only negated, eliminate all disjunctions which contain it. Then return to step 1.
- 6. Otherwise, we have the situation that every atomic sentence occurs <u>both</u> negated <u>and</u> unnegated in the conjunction, and no disjunction contains less than two members. Write therefore, the conjunction in the form

$$(\texttt{Av}\, \texttt{D}_1)\,\&\dots\,\&(\texttt{Av}\, \texttt{D}_m)\,\&(\texttt{\sim}\, \texttt{Av}\, \texttt{E}_1)\,\&\dots\,\&\,(\texttt{\sim}\, \texttt{Av}\, \texttt{E}_n)\,\&\, \texttt{G}_1\,\&\dots\,\&\, \texttt{G}_r$$

and then write

$$(D_1 \vee E_1) \& \dots \& (D_1 \vee E_n) \& (D_2 \vee E_1) \& \dots \& (D_2 \vee E_n) \& \dots \& (D_m \vee E_1) \& \dots \&$$

$$(D_m \vee E_n) \& G_1 \& \dots \& G_r,$$

a conjunction of disjunctions in which the atomic sentence A does not occur. The D_i , E_j , and G_h are disjunctions involving atomic sentences other than A. Then return to step 1.

In the above process, each step where a new conjunction is obtained with at least one less atomic sentence occurring in it than in the conjunction from which it was obtained carries with it the assurance that the new sentence is truth-functionally satisfiable if and only if the old one is. Proofs may be found in the paper by Davis and Putnam cited previously.

Each time an iteration of the process is carried out, at least one atomic sentence is removed, and hence the entire process terminates in a decision, as to satisfiability or unsatisfiability of the starting conjunction, in at most k iterations. In practice, far fewer iterations than k are found to be required for most cases that are actually encountered.

CHAPTER III. THE PROGRAM GAMMA I

1. The language used by GAMMA I.

The actual artificial language employed by GAMMA I is but a sublanguage of that described in Chapter I. GAMMA I's language contains no functional variables and no functional constants. Hence, all of its terms are either individual variables or individual constants. Despite this apparent loss of expressive power, we still in fact have just as expressive an instrument as before; now, however, in order to state certain things, we must resort to a slightly less convenient and familiar technique of formulation. Instead of saying, e.g.,

$$2 \cdot x + 4 = y \quad , \tag{1}$$

we must introduce a relational constant, say E, and write

$$E(x, y)$$
 , (2)

defining E to be such a relation that (2) is true for just those ordered pairs of constants for which (1) is true.

By this subterfuge we can reformulate any assertion, or predicate, which involves functional variables or functional constants, by introducing relational variables or relational constants.

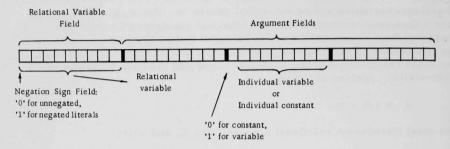
A further restriction on GAMMA I's language is that we may use no more than three arguments in any predicate. This still leaves us with plenty of room to operate; most of the interesting examples require no more than three-term relations. The reason for this restriction is that it rendered the programming problem immeasurably easier. It is planned that in GAMMA II no such restriction will be imposed, and the full apparatus of the language introduced in Chapter I will be the language employed.

In addition to these quite major restrictions, several minor ones should be pointed out. By confining ourselves to fixed-format data fields in GAMMA I's design, we created the restriction that no more than 255 different relational variables could be employed, no more than 255 different individual variables, and no more than 255 different individual constants. These are minor simply because problems which would not fit within them would be already absurdly infeasible problems for GAMMA I, on other grounds entirely. We shall be discussing these other grounds later.

2. Atomic sentences and predicates and negations thereof: literals

Let us for convenience use the word "<u>literal</u>" to denote indifferently an atomic sentence, an atomic predicate, or a negation of either. The term is due to Davis and Putnam.

The basic 36-bit 704 word provides the frame for the structure of atomic sentences and predicates in GAMMA I's language. The word is divided into four fields of 9 bits each (see diagram). Each field is subdivided into two subfields, the first being the leftmost bit, the second being the other eight bits.



In each of the four eight-bit fields, we may put any one of the 255 eight-bit patterns, 00000001 through 111111111, to indicate which symbol (relational variable, individual variable, or individual constant, depending on which field and, in the second two cases, on which of '0' or '1' occupies the leftmost bit-position in the field) we have selected to put there. Singulary and binary predicates use only one (the first) and only two (the first and second), respectively, of the three argument fields, the unused ones being left with binary zeros in each bit-position. Negation of the whole atomic sentence is indicated by a '1' in the first bit position; lack of negation by a '0' there.

Which eight-bit patterns are used to represent which relational variables or which individual variables has been left to the discretion of the user of the program: but the individual constants are considered by the program to be <u>ordered</u> in their natural order from 00000001 to 11111111, for the purposes of carrying out the instantiation process within the procedure H. If the program is allowed to run for so long a time that the instantiation process calls for the substitution of an individual constant beyond 11111111 in this ordering, it terminates at that point with a printed explanation of its reason for having stopped. Its capacity has been reached in this direction. (There are other ways in which its capacity can become exhausted also: these will be explained in the appropriate place.)

3. Disjunctions of literals

Since the sentences manipulated by GAMMA I are at all times in prenex conjunctive normal form, we are able to represent them without explicitly employing symbols for either disjunction or conjunction.

To represent a disjunction of N literals we simply construct a sequence containing the N words encoding the literals, and prefix at the front of the sequence a further word containing the integer N in the FORTRAN integer word format, viz., with low-order bit in the 18th bit position (a position helpfully designated as the seventeenth, under IBM's conventions, which involve denoting the first position as 'S' (for 'sign'), the second as first, the third as second, and so on).

A conjunction of M disjunctions is then represented by a sequence of M such sequences as were defined in the previous paragraph, the whole sequence being prefixed by a word containing an integer, in FORTRAN integer word form, giving the total number of words which are contained in the M disjunctions. (It would have been nicer if the integer to be specified were M; but life is not like that, always.) Included in this count must be the words prefixing each disjunction. As a schematic illustration, consider

$$(14)$$
 $(1)(A)$ $(3)(A)(B)(D)$ $(2)(C)(D)$ $(4)(A)(G)(H)(K)$

The letters represent literals: there are four disjunctions, containing, respectively, one, three, two, and four literals, as indeed their respective "counters" (as we shall henceforward often refer to them) indicate. The total number of words, including the four counters as well as the literals, is fourteen, and the leading word so indicates.

By this means we avoid the necessity of employing special symbols for conjunction and disjunction, at the expense of having to use the <u>counters</u>; these, however, facilitate the internal computer processing of the sentences enormously.

4. The Quantifier Prefix

The remaining portion of a sentence in prenex conjunctive normal form, over and above the conjunction of disjunctions of literals which comprises its matrix, consists of the initial sequence of zero, one or more quantifiers which bind the individual variables within the matrix.

It turned out to be far more efficient for GAMMA I to put its quantifier prefixes not at the beginning, and in the natural order, but rather at the end, and in the reverse order. In constructing sentences for input to GAMMA I, therefore, that is where we put, and that is the order in which we put, the "prefix" (a designation no longer very appropriate).

If the total number of quantifiers in the prefix is K (including the case K=0), we first put K, as a FORTRAN integer-word, immediately after the last word of the matrix. We then put successively a FORTRAN integer-word for each quantifier, with positive sign indicating <u>universal</u>, negative sign <u>existential</u>, quantifiers. The integer used in each quantifier

is that corresponding to the bit pattern representing the individual variable belonging to the quantifier, i.e., we simply place the bit pattern itself with its rightmost bit in the 18th bit position of the quantifier word. Of course, if K=0, we do not put any quantifier words after the prefix counter. But the zero word is mandatory, for the counter itself. GAMMA I takes the prefix counters quite seriously.

5. The Input to GAMMA I

Thus we construct the sequence of 704 words which is a representation of a sentence in prenex conjunctive normal form for GAMMA I. A set of such sentences, comprising the initial list for the procedure H, is represented by sticking the respective word sequences end-to-end to form one single sequence containing, let us say, W words in all (including all of the various counters). The number W is supplied to GAMMA I as the value of a FORTRAN integer variable MATEND. The number of sentences in the list (i.e., the number of the prenex conjunctive normal form sentences) is likewise supplied, as the value of a variable JLINE. The highest individual constant which occurs anywhere in the input list of sentences is considered as an integer in the obvious way and supplied as the value of a variable LPHI.

The sequence of words comprising the list of sentences after the above fashion is given to GAMMA I as a one-dimensional FORTRAN array $\underline{\text{MATRIX}}$. MATRIX (1) is thus the first word of this array, and MATRIX (MATEND) the last word of this array.

The final major piece of input information required by GAMMA I is a list of numbers stating respectively in which word of the array MATRIX the successive prenex conjunctive normal form sentences begin. (The first such number clearly is always 1.) This list of numbers, in ascending order, is given as a one-dimensional FORTRAN array LINE. LINE (1) is thus the first word of this array; LINE(JLINE) is the last.

We have also provided, as a convenience, for up to 120 words of BCD comment data, which is read in along with all the other information at input time and used essentially as a label for the problem. Any material capable of being printed may be put in the comment array, which is formally a FORTRAN one-dimensional array <u>LEAD</u>. The number of words actually used is supplied as the value of a variable <u>LEADMX</u>, and thus the array will begin with LEAD(1) and end with LEAD(LEADMX).

Physically, an input deck of cards is prepared as follows:

1st card:

In four successive 6-column fields, beginning with column 1, the values of MATEND, JLINE, LPHI, and LEADMX are punched, hard over to the right of each field, with leading zeros either left blank or not, as one pleases.

2nd through kth cards:

(Where k is no greater than it must be in relation to the value assigned to LEADMX.) The comment is punched, 6 characters to a word, 12 words to a card. It is not mandatory that LEADMX be a multiple of 12.

(k+1)st card onwards:

Each card has five successive fields of 14 columns, starting with column 1; in the rightmost 12 columns of each field are punched, in octal form, the words of the array LINE followed by the words of the array MATRIX. There will therefore be (JLINE + MATEND) octal words in all

Such a deck is the entire input information required for a problem. GAMMA I will handle one problem after another, and we simply stack the respective decks on top of each other, in the desired order, in the card reader. After having processed the last deck in such a batch of problems, GAMMA I selects the card reader in quest of another; finding none, it stops, and this is the normal manner for a run to terminate. This is indeed the only stop not deemed worthy of a printed comment at the on-line printer.

After having processed a problem, GAMMA I prints the entire comment array LEAD at the on-line printer, followed by its verdict (INCON-SISTENT or CONSISTENT), followed by the number of minutes which were required to complete the procedure H and find the proof. If a problem were submitted which was not in fact inconsistent (a synonym for unsatisfiable), and which was not in the category for which the instantiation process terminates, then, whereas the theoretical procedure H for such a problem goes on for all eternity, GAMMA I goes on until its capacity is exhausted in one or other of the several ways in which this can occur. Since this could be quite a long time, a way has been provided to terminate a problem arbitrarily and peremptorily from the console: sense switch 2 is pushed down, and GAMMA I prints out an appropriate comment at the on-line printer and moves on to the next problem, if any. When this "get-off" facility is used, sense switch 2 should be placed UP again before the next problem deck has been entirely read in - otherwise it too will be summarily terminated.

In addition to the information supplied to the on-line printer at the end of each problem, fuller information is written on TAPE 2 pertaining to the problem just completed. In particular, a copy is provided of the quantifier-free conjunction of sentences which was found to be inconsistent (or found to be consistent, in the case of a problem for which the instantiation process happens to terminate, and which, in addition, happens to be consistent). The remaining information consists of the number of times the Davis-Putnam truth-functional analysis was performed, and the number of iterations of it which were required in the performance of its final, decisive application.

After these notes about the observable behavior of GAMMA I, and the discussion of its input requirements, we now pass to an examination of the program itself.

6. GAMMA I itself

It seems reasonable to discuss GAMMA I's organization and structure entirely on the FORTRAN symbolic statement level, the precise details of the compiled object program in SAP machine language not being necessary for a knowledge of the program's logical properties.

The flow of events takes place essentially just as is specified in the theoretical algorithm which we have been calling procedure H. The original input array MATRIX grows longer, for we add to it further sentences obtained by instantiation, provided they have one or more quantifiers surviving in their prefixes. Those that do not, which are therefore quantifier-free sentences, we segregate, and stack them end to end in a new array called MODEL. In doing so, we omit both the initial counter (which, one recalls. gives the total number of words in the matrix part of the sentence) and the terminal (zero) prefix counter. We can do without the former because we no longer need to preserve the separate identity of each sentence making up the quantifier-free conjunction, for we are building up but a single, long, sentence; and we can do without the latter because in the present context it tells us only something we already know - that there are no quantifiers in the prefix. The array MODEL therefore grows longer as the procedure continues. Its length is at all times stored as the value of a variable, MODEND. As the array MATRIX grows, so does the array LINE, whose successive entries tell where, in MATRIX, the successive sentences begin. The values of MATEND and JLINE, respectively, at all times tell how long each of these arrays is.

Eight thousand words of memory are available for the array MATRIX, 18000 for the array MODEL, and 2000 for the array LINE. If at any point these storage areas are about to be exceeded, GAMMA I interrupts its orderly processes, prints out a comment appropriate to the occasion, and proceeds to the next problem, if any, in the input deck.

There are two modes in which GAMMA I operates as far as concerns the matter of when to test MODEL by the Davis-Putnam process for satisfiability or unsatisfiability. The first mode is automatic, in which GAMMA I chooses for itself when to test, by a criterion to be explained in a moment. The second is manual, whereby the decision when to test is made at the console. Which mode is operative is determined by the setting of sense switch 4: UP for automatic mode, DOWN for manual mode. In the manual mode, the decision to test is effected by depressing sense switch 5 and raising it again when the READ-WRITE SELECT light is lit up. This phenomenon will occur after a second or two, and indicates that the Davis-Putnam test procedure has gotten under way.

The points at which testing is done when in the automatic mode are determined as follows: whenever, in the instantiation process, the sentence in MATRIX which is about to be instantiated is the <u>first</u>, the instantiation process is interrupted and a Davis-Putnam test of the current MODEL is performed. Whenever this point is found to have been reached, a test is also made to see whether the individual constant, which is about to be used to instantiate the first sentence with, is greater than the largest one introduced so far. If it is, then the instantiation algorithm calls for termination. Therefore this fact is noted whenever it comes about, and GAMMA I does not proceed with the instantiation process after the Davis-Putnam test has been performed. Otherwise (unless the Davis-Putnam test turns up an inconsistency) the instantiation process is then resumed right where it was interrupted.

Since the Davis-Putnam test is "destructive" in the sense that MODEL is successively reduced, perhaps to nothing, during the test, and since, should the instantiation process have to be resumed, MODEL must at that point be what it was before Davis-Putnam havoc was wrought upon it, we write it out on TAPE 3 prior to testing, along with the entire array MATRIX. The latter array must also be "saved" because the Davis-Putnam test requires its storage area as an extensive "scratch pad" on which to make notes. Specifically, the Davis-Putnam process involves the construction of an array <u>LIST</u> during each iteration, the entries whereof are literals which are either the lone occupants of a disjunction, or are such as occur only unnegated, or only negated, throughout the entire MODEL. LIST is assigned the same 8000-word storage area as is MATRIX.

Certain advantages are obtained in carrying out the Davis-Putnam test procedure if at all times the literals within each disjunction can be assumed to be in a fixed, known order. The handiest ordering to employ was found to be that obtained by pretending that each literal is really a 35-bit binary number with a plus or minus sign attached, and then ordering the literals within each disjunction in ascending absolute magnitude. The necessary sorting is done immediately prior to appending a new quantifier-free sentence to the end of MODEL. At this point is also performed the task

of deleting, within any one disjunction, all but one copy of any literal which happens to have one or more duplicates of itself as colleagues in the disjunction; and if a disjunction is found to have mutually contradictory literals within it (i.e., literals exactly alike except that one has a negation sign while the other does not), then the entire disjunction is deleted. (For such disjunctions are true no matter what truth values are assigned to their atomic constituents; hence a conjunction containing such a disjunction is inconsistent if and only if the remainder is.)

The flow of events within the Davis-Putnam test procedure is, again, essentially given by the statement of the theoretical process described earlier, which process the program carries out as there stated. The precise details of the actual steps which are executed are best ascertained from the symbolic FORTRAN program listed in the Appendix, where the liberal comments there provided tell the story plainly enough. The present overall remarks are intended as no more than a helpful guide and companion during a scrutiny of the FORTRAN program.

A word of running commentary on the way in which the instantiation process is done by GAMMA I. An array LSTUPE is constructed during the process; its kth entry tells which sentence of MATRIX was last instantiated by the kth individual constant. In assessing the question "Which sentence of MATRIX should next be instantiated, and with what individual constant?", GAMMA I exploits LSTUPE as follows: one selects the first entry in LSTUPE which does not "point to" the final sentence in MATRIX. This entry is then increased by 1, and the sentence then indicated is selected for instantiation. If the entry is the ith in the array LSTUPE, then the ith individual constant is used to do the instantiation of the selected sentence. However, if all the entries in the array LSTUPE point to the final sentence in MATRIX, then a new entry numerically equal to zero is added. This indicates that none of the sentences of MATRIX have yet been instantiated by the corresponding individual constant, but that the first sentence of MATRIX is just about to be.

Finally, a useful feature has been incorporated into GAMMA I to enable the user to have a picture of what is going on during internal processing. The register MQ is not required during the processing, either in the instantiation section of the program or in the Davis-Putnam section of the program. Two numbers are therefore displayed on the console MQ neons, and their behavior indicates how far GAMMA I has progressed with the problem at the time.

During the instantiation process, we display in the left half of MQ the number of sentences currently in MATRIX, and in the right half of MQ the number of quantifier-free sentences which have so far been added to MODEL.

During the <u>Davis-Putnam process</u> we display in the <u>left</u> half of MQ the current length $(total\ number\ of\ words)$ of MODEL, and in the <u>right</u> half of MQ the number of iterations so far carried out of the Davis-Putnam procedure.

Depressing <u>sense switch</u> 3 at any time causes GAMMA I to report at the on-line printer the sentences which it is getting via the instantiation process.

Depressing <u>sense switch</u> 1 causes GAMMA I to report, during the Davis-Putnam tests, the successive appearances of MODEL as it is reduced at each iteration.

CHAPTER IV. SHORTCOMINGS OF GAMMA I. GAMMA II.

In the <u>Introduction</u> the remark was made that, owing to theoretical properties of the procedure H, the program GAMMA I has marked limitations as to what kinds of problem it is capable of handling in a reasonable span of time. Specifically, this is due to the fact that, for most "interesting" (and therefore sufficiently complex-structured) axiom sets, and, for a given interesting axiom set, for most interesting theorems deducible from it, the value of x guaranteed to exist (where x, it will be recalled, is the earliest step of the instantiation process at which a truth-functionally unsatisfiable sentence is obtained) by the theory is a sickeningly large number.

An example of this situation was met early in the testing of GAMMA I. The axiom system which was formalized was that for <u>elementary abstract</u> group theory. The axioms are three in number, and simple-looking ("o" is a binary functional variable):

$$(Ax)(Ay)(Ez)(x = zoy)$$
 (1)

$$(A_X)(A_Y)(E_Z)(X = YOZ)$$
 (2)

$$(Ax)(Ay)(Az)(xo(yoz) = (xoy)oz) (3)$$

From these axioms we sought to prove the theorem that an <u>identity</u> <u>element</u> exists; indeed, we contented ourselves with the weaker theorem that there exists a <u>left</u> identity element:

$$(E_X)(A_Z)(z = XOZ) . (4)$$

Algebraically humble though this example be, it is not without some interest; the proof of it, while not difficult, is not trivial either. All in all, it was felt that it was a reasonable example of a nontrivial theorem which might be within the range of GAMMA I.

It is not. If appears, by an argument which will not be given here, that the earliest value of x to which GAMMA I would have to go in order to get a proof of (4) from [(1), (2), (3)] is at least 57^6 , or about 2.10^{12} .

The irony of the situation is that, in the couple of trillion or so quantifier-free sentences which GAMMA I would have to generate by instantiation, only <u>four</u> are actually required to produce the requisite contradiction. It is these four, together with a mere handful of others, which any good student of modern algebra would select as a proof of (4) from [(1), (2), (3)].

Procedure H is in fact what one might call an <u>exhaustion</u> algorithm: the desired entity is, if it exists at all, certainly a member of an effectively

enumerable set; very well then, says an exhaustive algorithm, let us list the set, member by member, and see if the entity turns up. [Actually, the term 'algorithm' is a misnomer, since the process described will <u>not</u> terminate if (a) the enumeration does not terminate (i.e., the set is not finite) and (b) the desired entity is not in the set.]

The contrast is between methods calling for the examination of "all" possibilities, on the one hand, and methods which somehow select from the totality of possibilities a subset thereof which contains only the likelier possibilities. Clearly, the second category of methods embraces those distinguished by their employment of so-called strategies. At the very least, such methods are less uniform, more flexible, than exhaustive methods, and in some sense the flow of events ensuing when such a method is applied to a particular problem is very much a function of the specific properties of the particular problem.

Apart from its being a uniform, exhaustive method, procedure H also is formulated within a fairly spartan syntactical structure. It is in fact less easy to "spot" proofs, within the structure operated on by procedure H, than it is to spot them in the <u>richer</u> (though not more <u>powerful</u>) languages in which intuitive deductions are made, and then to transcribe them, or otherwise use them, to discover corresponding proofs within the more austere system.

The next program which is planned, GAMMA II, will embody some ideas, still somewhat in the formative stage, for selecting paths of instantiation on the basis of the particular structure of each problem, which should contain the desired contradiction if indeed there is one contained in the single, uniform path of instantiation followed by procedure H. This problem is much easier to handle within a system which explicitly contains functional signs (variables and constants) and which also contains the identity relation as part of the underlying logical machinery, with associated rules of deduction. It already is clear that, for instance, the group theory problem can be solved by a fairly simple generalization of the instantiation procedure, carried out within a language possessing function signs and the identity relation as a part of its deductive machinery. But it is not yet clear to what level of difficulty of theorems such a generalized and richer procedure will be able to penetrate.

APPENDIX. THE SYMBOLIC FORTRAN PROGRAM GAMMA I.

1. Annotated glossary of FORTRAN symbols occurring in GAMMA I.

The following complete alphabetically ordered list of FORTRAN symbols which occur in GAMMA I, together with the definitions and explanations attached to each, should facilitate the task of understanding the program listing. In the cases where synonyms occur, they were introduced into the program because the information they carried had sometimes to be treated as a FORTRAN integer (and as such had to be named by a symbol beginning with I, J, K, L, M, or N) and other times as a word of "Boolean" information, for which a symbol not beginning with I, J, K, L, M, or N is required.

ALIST Synonym for LIST.

ATRIX Synonym for MATRIX.

FIRST Used to store the variable which is going to be instantiated;

bit pattern is adjusted so as to be in alignment with $\underline{\text{first}}$

argument field of the literal.

GEORGE Used during the construction of LIST in connection with the

tagging of literals which are to be deleted from LIST before

LIST is actually used.

I General-purpose indexing variable used frequently in array-

manipulation.

IMAX The counter whose value is the highest individual constant

which is used next to instantiate a universally quantified

variable.

INSTA Indicates the location of the matrix counter of the sentence

being processed, during instantiation procedure.

INSTB Indicates the location of the prefix counter of the sentence

being processed, during instantiation procedure.

INSTC Indicates the location of the last quantifier of the sentence

being processed, during the instantiation procedure.

INSTD Indicates the location of the first literal in the sentence being

processed, during the instantiation procedure.

ITERAT Contains the count of the number of iterations so far, in the

current Davis-Putnam test.

J General-purpose index variable, used frequently in array

manipulation.

JLINE Contains the number of sentences in MATRIX.

JUNK A scratch-pad variable used in assembling word to be dis-

played in MQ.

LNEG

K	General-purpose index variable, used frequently in array manipulation.
L	General-purpose index variable.
LA	Used as counter in the test to see how many universal quantifiers are in prefix of sentence about to be instantiated.
LAPSED	The number of minutes taken by a completed problem.
LAST	Indicates the last literal in a disjunction, during Davis- Putnam test.
LASTM	Indicates last literal in a disjunction, during the sorting operation on the disjunctions of a sentence about to be added to MODEL.
LATER	Time, in minutes elapsed since previous midnight, at which a problem was finished.
LEAD	The 120-word-maximum array containing BCD material of the comment accompanying the problem.
LEADMX	The number of BCD words in the comment.
LEAST	Indicates the first literal of a disjunction, during Davis- Putnam test.
LEASTM	Indicates first literal in a disjunction, during sorting procedure.
LENGTH	The number of words in the matrix of the current sentence; in instantiation procedure.
LFIRST	Synonym of FIRST.
LGEORGE	Synonym of GEORGE.
LINE	2000-word-maximum array whose entries give the locations of the beginnings of successive sentences in MATRIX.
LINES	Counter: number of quantifier-free sentences obtained so far.
LIST	8000-word-maximum array whose entries are literals which are to be eliminated from MODEL; in Davis-Putnam test.
LITS	Counter: number of literals in a disjunction; in Davis-Putnam test.
LN	Indicates which sentence of MATRIX is about to be instantiated next.

LOST Indicates last literal in a disjunction; in Davis-Putnam test.

literal; equals one otherwise.

Is equal to zero if all disjunctions in MODEL contain a negated

LPHI Highest individual constant used so far to instantiate an

existentially quantified variable.

LPIVOT The literal to be eliminated by step (6) of Davis-Putnam

procedure.

LPOS Is equal to zero if all disjunctions in MODEL contain an

unnegated literal; equals one otherwise.

LSCOND Synonym of SECOND.

LSTUPE 100-word-maximum array whose ith entry gives which

sentence was last instantiated by ith individual constant.

LTEST Counter: the number of times the Davis-Putnam test has

been performed so far in the current problem.

LTHIRD Synonym for THIRD.

LUNGTH Indicates location of last literal in the matrix part of a

sentence; during instantiation process.

LUST Indicates the last literal of a disjunction; in Davis-Putnam

testing process.

LVALUE Synonym for VALUE.

LVBLE Indicates the individual variable with respect to which

instantiation will be done; during instantiation process.

LWORD1 Synonym for WORD1.

LWORD2 Synonym for WORD2.

LWORD3 Synonym for WORD3.

M General purpose indexing variable.

MATEND Gives the length of the array MATRIX, viz., the total number

of words in the array.

MATRIX The 8000-word-maximum array containing all the sentences

which still have quantifiers left in their prefixes.

MAXK Gives the length of the array LIST.

MODEL The 18000-word-maximum array containing all the quantifier-

free sentences.

MODEND Gives the length of the array MODEL.

N General-purpose indexing variable.

NAXT Indicates the location of the counter immediately in front of

a disjunction; in Davis-Putnam test process.

Indicates the location of the counter immediately in front of NEXT a disjunction; in Davis-Putnam test-process. Indicates the location of the counter immediately in front of NEXTM a disjunction in the sorting process. The time, in minutes elapsed since previous midnight, at NOW which a problem is begun. Indicates the location of the counter immediately in front of NOXT a disjunction; in Davis-Putnam process. Synonym for MODEL. ODEL Used to store the variable which is going to be instantiated SECOND upon; bit pattern is adjusted so as to be in alignment with the second argument field of the literal. THIRD Used to store the variable which is going to be instantiated upon; bit pattern is adjusted so as to be in alignment with the argument field of the literal. The individual constant which is going to be used for instanti-VALUE ation, with bit pattern adjusted so as to be in alignment with first argument field of literal. VALUE2 The individual constant which is going to be used for instantiation, with bit pattern adjusted so as to be in alignment with second argument field of literal. VALUE3 The individual constant which is going to be used for instantiation, with bit pattern adjusted so as to be in alignment with third argument field of literal. WOR DI The contents of the first argument field of a literal, context stripped away. WORD2 The contents of the second argument field of a literal, context stripped away. WORD3 The contents of the third argument field of a literal, context stripped away. [X,Y,Z]Three BCD words which state the date and time, whenever the subroutine MINUTE is called in. No use is actually made

of these three variables beyond their function as the dummy

variables in the calling line of the subroutine.

2. Listing of GAMMA I FORTRAN Symbolic program, with explanatory comments.

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0000
C**********
C.*
   GAMMA I. A GENERAL THEOREM-PROVING PROGRAM.
                                             0001
0002
   DIMENSION MODEL(18000), ODEL(18000), MATRIX(8000), ATRIX(8000),
                                             0003
   1LINE(2000), LSTUPE(100), LIST(8000), ALIST(8000), LEAD(120)
                                             0004
   EQUIVALENCE (VALUE, LVALUE), (WORD1, LWORD1), (WORD2, LWORD2),
                                             0005
   1(WORD3, LWORD3), (MATRIX, ATRIX, LIST, ALIST), (MODEL, ODEL),
                                             0006
   2(FIRST, LFIRST), (SECOND, LSCOND), (THIRD, LTHIRD), (GEORGE, LGORGE)
                                             0007
0008
C* OBTAIN INPUT FOR NEXT PROBLEM FROM CARD READER.
                                             0009
0010
  1 READ 1200. MATEND. JLINE. LPHI. LEADMX
                                             0011
   READ 1201. (LEAD(I). I=1. LEADMX)
                                             0012
   READ 1001, (LINE(I), I=1, JLINE), (MATRIX(I), I=1, MATEND)
                                             0013
0014
C* FIND OUT WHAT TIME IT IS.
                                             0015
                                             0016
   NOW = MINUTE(X,Y,Z)
                                             0017
0018
C* INITIALIZE THE COUNTERS WHICH WILL GROW, AND BE SURE ALL THE
                                             0019
  SENSE LIGHTS ARE TURNED OFF.
                                             0020
0021
   SENSE LIGHT O
                                             0022
  4 LSTUPE(1) = 0
                                             0023
                                            0024
   LINES = 0
   LTEST = 0
                                            0025
                                            0026
   MODEND = 0
   IMAX = 1
                                            0027
                                            0028
0029
C* TRY INSTANTIATING A SENTENCE WITH 1.
                                            0030
0031
  5 INS = 1
0032
C* SET UP THE LATEST PROGRESS REPORT IN THE MQ CONSOLE NEONS.
                                            0033
0034
                                            0035
    CLA LINES
    ARS 18
                                            0036
S
                                            0037
    ADD JLINE
S
                                            0038
    STO M
                                            0039
    LDQ M
S
0040
                                            0041
C* QUIT IF FORCED TO DO SO.
0042
                                            0043
   IF (SENSE SWITCH 2) 1900,6
0044
                                            0045
C* CAN ANY SENTENCE BE INSTANTIATED WITH INS, WE ASK.
0046
                                            0047
  6 IF (LSTUPE(INS) - JLINE) 9,7,9
0048
 IF NOT, STEP UP INS, AND THEN UNLESS INS IS NOW UP TO TESTING
                                            0049
C*
  SIZE, GO SEE WHETHER WE CAN INSTANTIATE A SENTENCE WITH THIS
                                            0050
C*
  HIGHER VALUE. IF INS IS UP TO TESTING SIZE, GO REPORT TO STATEMENT *
                                            0051
C*
  8000, WHERE THE MATTER WILL BE MORE CLOSELY PURSUED.
                                            0052
C*
0053
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0054
  7 \text{ INS} = \text{INS} + 1
                                                 0055
   IF (INS - IMAX) 6,6,8000
0056
C* WE MAY PROCEED, EVIDENTLY. THE TESTING CRISIS MUST BE OVER. *
                                                 0057
0058
                                                 0059
  8 \text{ LSTUPE(INS)} = 0
                                                 0060
   IMAX = INS
                                                 0061
   GO TO 6
0062
C* WE CAN INSTANTIATE WITH INS. SET UP THE SENTENCE DUE FOR
                                                 0063
                                                 0064
C* INSTANTIATION WITH INS.
0065
                                                 0066
  9 LSTUPE(INS) = LSTUPE(INS) + 1
                                                 0067
   IN = ISTUPE(INS)
                                                 0068
    INSTA = LINE(LN)
    INSTB = MATRIX(INSTA) + INSTA + 1
                                                 0069
                                                 0070
    INSTC = MATRIX(INSTB) + INSTB
                                                 0071
    LVBLE = XABSF(MATRIX(INSTC))
                                                 0072
    INSTD = INSTB + 1
0073
C* WAIT. IF WE INSTANTIATE THIS SENTENCE, WE WANT TO KNOW WHETHER
                                                 0074
C* WE WILL WIND UP WITH A QUANTIFIER-FREE SENTENCE OR NOT. IF THIS
                                                 0075
  SENTENCE HAS LESS THAN TWO UNIVERSAL QUANTIFIERS IN ITS PREFIX, *
                                                 0076
C#
  THE RESULT OF INSTANTIATION WILL BE A QUANTIFIER-FREE SENTENCE.
                                                 0077
C* SO WE COUNT THE NUMBER OF UNIVERSAL QUANTIFIERS IN THE PREFIX....
                                                 0078
C*****************************
                                                 0079
    LA = 0
                                                 0080
    DO 11 K = INSTD. INSTC
                                                 0081
    IF (MATRIX(K)) 11, 10, 10
                                                 0082
  10 LA = LA + 1
                                                 0083
                                                 0084
  11 CONTINUE
0085
C* ....AND IF THERE ARE LESS THAN TWO WE PREPARE TO ADD THE RESULT
                                                 0086
C* TO MODEL ....
                                                 0087
0088
   IF (LA - 2) 14, 12, 12
                                                 0089
  12 M = MATEND
                                                 0090
0091
C* ...BUT IF THERE ARE TWO OR MORE WE PREPARE TO ADD THE RESULT TO
                                                 0092
C* MATRIX ...
                                                 0093
0094
    DO 13 N = INSTA. INSTC
                                                 0095
    M = M + 1
                                                 0006
  13 \text{ MATRIX}(M) = \text{MATRIX}(N)
                                                 0097
0098
C* ...AND DEPART FOR STATEMENT 38 WHERE THIS WILL BE DONE. *
                                                 0099
0100
    INSTB = MATEND + MATRIX(INSTA) + 2
                                                 0101
    INSTA = MATEND + 1
                                                 0102
    LVALUE = INS
                                                 0103
    GO TO 38
                                                 0104
C **************************
                                                 0105
C* SET UP ON TO THE END OF MODEL THE SENTENCE TO BE INSTANTIATED. *
                                                 0106
0107
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14 M = MODEND
                                                             0108
     LENGTH = MATRIX(INSTA)
                                                             0109
     INSTD = INSTA + 1
                                                             0110
     DO 15 N = INSTD, INSTC
                                                             0111
     M = M + 1
                                                             0112
   15 MODEL(M) = MATRIX(N)
                                                             0113
     INSTB = MODEND + MATRIX(INSTA) + 1
                                                             0114
     INSTA = MODEND + 1
                                                             0115
   16 LVALUE = INS
                                                             0116
0117
C* GET RID OF ALL THE EXISTENTIAL QUANTIFIERS AS WELL AS THE *
                                                             0118
C* UNIVERSAL QUANTIFIER.
                                                             0119
0120
  17 CLA LVBLE
S
                                                             0121
S
     STO FIRST
                                                             0122
S
     ARS 9
                                                             0123
S
     STO SECOND
                                                             0124
S
     ARS 9
                                                             0125
     STO THIRD
S
                                                             0126
S
     CLA LVALUE
                                                             0127
5
     ARS 9
                                                             0128
S
     STO VALUE2
                                                             0129
S
     ARS 9
                                                            0130
S
     STO VALUES
                                                            0131
В
     FIRST = FIRST + 000400000000
                                                            0132
B
     SECOND = SECOND + 000000400000
                                                            0133
B
     THIRD = THIRD + 000000000400
    DO 23 L = INSTA, INSTB
                                                            0135
B
     WORD1 = ODEL(L) * 000777000000
                                                            0136
B
     WORD2 = ODEL(L) * 000000777000
                                                            0137
P
     WORD3 = CDEL(L) * 000000000777
                                                            0138
    IF (LWORD1 - LFIRST) 19, 18, 19
                                                            0139
В
  18 ODEL(L) = ODEL(L) * 777000777777 + VALUE
                                                            0140
  19 IF (LWORD2 - LSCOND) 21, 20, 21
                                                            0141
R
  20 ODEL(L) = ODEL(L) * 777777000777 + VALUE2
                                                            0142
  21 IF (LWORD3 - LTHIRD) 23, 22, 23
                                                            0143
  22
    ODEL(L) = ODEL(L) * 777777777000 + VALUE3
                                                            0144
  23 CONTINUE
                                                            0145
    MODEL (INSTB) = MODEL (INSTB) - 1
                                                            0146
    LASTM = MODEL(INSTB) + INSTB
                                                            0147
    IF (MODEL(INSTB)) 25, 25, 24
                                                            0148
  24 LVALUE = LPHI + 1
                                                            0149
    LPHI = LVALUE
                                                            0150
    LVBLE = XABSF(MODEL(LASTM))
                                                            0151
    GO TO 17
                                                            0152
  25 LASTM = INSTA - 1
                                                            0153
    LUNGTH = MODEND + LENGTH
                                                            0154
0155
C* PRINT CUT THE RESULT IF REQUESTED. *
                                                            0156
0157
  IF (SENSE SWITCH 3) 252, 251
                                                            0158
 252 PRINT 1004, LVALUE, (MODEL(N), N=INSTA, INSTB)
                                                           0159
0160
C* SORT EACH DISJUNCTION WITHIN THE NEW QUANTIFIER-FREE SENTENCE. *
                                                           0161
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0162
                                                  0163
 251 NEXTM = LASTM + 1
                                                  0164
    IF (NEXTM - (MODEND + LENGTH + 1)) 26, 35, 35
                                                  0165
  26 LEASTM = NEXTM + 1
                                                  0166
    LASTM = MODEL (NEXTM) + NEXTM
                                             0167
    K = LASTM - 1
    IF (MODEL(NEXTM) - 1) 251, 251, 27
  27 DO 31 L = LEASTM. K
                                                 0169
    IF(XABSF(MODEL(L)) - XABSF(MODEL(L + 1))) 31. 29. 28
                                                 0170
                                                 0171
  28 M = MODEL(L + 1)
    MODEL (L + 1) = MODEL(L)
                                                  0172
    MODEL(L) = M
                                                 0173
                                                  0174
    SENSE LIGHT 1
   GO TO 31
                                                  0175
  29 IF (MODEL(L) + MODEL(L + 1)) 30. 32. 30
                                                  0176
  30 \text{ MODEL (1)} = 0
                                                  0177
    MODEL(NEXTM) = MODEL(NEXTM) - 1
                                                  0178
  31 CONTINUE
                                                  0179
    IF (SENSE LIGHT 1) 27, 251
                                                  0180
  32 IF(MODEL(L)) 33, 31, 33
                                                  0181
C
                                                  0182
C* IF A DISJUNCTION IS LOGICALLY TRUE, DELETE IT.
                                                  0183
0184
 33 DO 34 L = NEXTM, LASTM
                                                  0185
  34 MODEL(L) = 0
                                                  0186
   GO TO 251
                                                  0187
0188
C* PACK DOWN THE POSSIBLY DEPLETED SENTENCE.
                                                  0189
0190
  35 DO 37 N = INSTA, LUNGTH
                                                  0191
    IF (MODEL(N)) 36, 37, 36
                                                  0192
  36 MODEND = MODEND + 1
                                                  0193
   MODEL (MODEND) = MODEL (N)
                                                  0194
  37 CONTINUE
                                                  0195
0196
C* PRINT IT OUT IF REQUESTED.
                                                  0197
0198
    IF (SENSE SWITCH 3) 371, 372
                                                  0199
 371 PRINT 1006, MODEND
                                                  0200
   PRINT 1000, (MODEL(N), N=INSTA, MODEND)
                                                  0201
 372 CONTINUE
                                                  0202
C*************************
                                                  0203
C* QUIT, IF WE ARE OUT OF CAPACITY FOR MODEL. OTHERWISE, GO *
                                                  0204
  INSTANTIATE THE NEXT SENTENCE.
                                                  0205
0206
  LINES = LINES + 1
                                                  0207
   IF (MODEND - 17950) 5, 1900, 1900
                                                  0208
0209
C* INSTANTIATE THE LEADING UNIVERSALLY QUANTIFIED VARIABLE, AND ANY *
                                                  0210
C* EXISTENTIAL QUANTIFIERS WHICH ARE THEREBY EXPOSED.
                                                  0211
C*********************
                                                  0212
S 38 CLA LVBLE
                                                  0213
    STO FIRST
2
                                                  0214
S
    ARS 9
                                                  0215
```

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5
 STO SECOND
                       0216
S
    ARS 9
                                                     0217
    STO THIRD
S
                                                     0218
S
 CLA LVALUE
S
     ARS 9
                                                    0220
S
    STO VALUE?
                                                    0221
S
    ARS 9
                                                     0222
S
    STO VALUES
                                                     0223
R
    FIRST = FIRST + 0004000000000
                                                     0224
   SECOND = SECOND + 000000400000
                                                     0225
В
    THIRD = THIRD + 0000000000400
                                                     0226
    DO 44 L = INSTA, INSTB
                                                    0227
В
    WORD1 = ATRIX(L) * 000777000000
                                                    0228
В
    WORD2 = ATRIX(L) * 000000777000
                                                 0229
B
    WORD3 = ATRIX(L) * 000000000777
                                                     0230
    IF (LWORD) - LFIRST) 40, 39, 40
                                                    0231
B
  39 ATRIX(L) = ATRIX(L) * 777000777777 + VALUE
                                                     0232
  40 IF (LWCRD2 - LSCOND) 42, 41, 42
                                                    0233
    ATRIX(L) = ATRIX(L) * 777777000777 + VALUE2
                                                    0234
  42 IF (LWORD3 - LTHIRD) 44, 43, 44
                                                   0235
D
 43 ATRIX(L) = ATRIX(L) * 777777777000 + VALUE3
                                                  0236
  44 CONTINUE
                                                  0237
    MATRIX(INSTB) = MATRIX(INSTB) - 1
                                                 0238
    MATEND = MATRIX(INSTB) + INSTB
                                                  0239
    IF (MATRIX(MATEND)) 45,46,46
                                                     0240
  45 LVALUE = LPHI + 1
                                                     0241
    LPHI = LVALUE
                                                     0242
    LVBLE=XABSF(MATRIX(MATEND))
                                                     0243
    IF (MATEND - 7750) 38, 1900, 1900
                                                     02111
  46 JLINE = JLINE + 1
                                                     0245
    LINE(JLINE) = INSTA
                                                     0246
0247
C* PRINT OUT THE RESULT, IF REQUESTED. *
                                                     0248
0249
   IF (SENSE SWITCH 3) 461, 462
                                                     0250
 461 PRINT 1005, JLINE, LINE(JLINE), LVBLE, LVALUE
                                                    0251
    PRINT 1000, (MATRIX(N), N=INSTA, MATEND)
                                                    0252
 462 CONTINUE
                                                    0253
0254
C* QUIT IF CAPACITY IS EXCEEDED. OTHERWISE GO INSTANTIATE THE NEXT *
                                                    0255
C* SENTENCE.
                                                    0256
0257
    IF (JLINE - 2000) 5, 1900, 1900
                                                    0258
0259
C* STATEMENTS 80 THRU 240 + 3 COMPRISE THE DAVIS-PUTNAM TEST PROCESS. *
                                                    0260
0261
  80 LTEST = LTEST + 1
                                                    0262
                                                    0263
   ITERAT = 0
0264
C* WE RETURN HERE FOR EACH NEW ITERATION. HERE WE FIRST INITIALIZE *
                                                    0265
  THE NECESSARY COUNTERS AND TESTING VARIABLES.
                                                    0266
C**********************
                                                    0267
7115 LNEG = 0
                                                    0268
                                                    0269
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LPOS = 0

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ITERAT = ITERAT + 1
                                                   0270
   K = 0
                                                  0271
   1AST = 0
                                                  0272
0273
C* DISPLAY THE LATEST PROGRESS REPORT ON THE MQ CONSOLE NEONS. *
                                                  0274
0275
5
   CLA ITERAT
S
    ARS 18
                                                  0277
2
    ADD MODEND
                                                  0278
    STO JUNK
                                                  0279
S
  LDC JUNK
                                                  0280
                                                  0281
C* PRINT OUT MODEL AS IT NOW STANDS, IF REQUESTED TO DO SO. .
                                                  0282
0283
   IF (SENSE SWITCH 1) 3339, 110
                                                  0284
3339 PRINT 3997
                                                  0285
    PRINT 3001, MODEND
                                                  0286
    PRINT 1001, (MODEL(I), I=1, MODEND)
                                                  0287
0288
C* MAKE A LIST OF ALL THE UNIT DISJUNCTIONS, I.E., THOSE CONTAINING *
                                                  0289
C* ONLY ONE LITERAL.
                                                  0290
0291
 110 NEXT = 1AST + 1
                                                  0292
   IF (NEXT - MODEND) 120, 130, 130
                                                  0293
 120 LEAST = NEXT + 1
                                                  0294
   LAST = MODEL(NEXT) + NEXT
                                                  0295
    IF (MODEL(NEXT) - 1)100,140,100
                                                  0296
 140 K = K + 1
                                                  0297
   LIST(K) = MODEL(LEAST)
                                                  0298
0299
C* AS EACH NEW UNIT DISJUNCTION IS ADDED TO THE LIST, CHECK IT AGAINST*
                                                  0300
  THE EARLIER ONES TO SEE IF IT CONTRADICTS ANY OF THEM. IF IT DCES, *
C.*
                                                  0301
  TERMINATE INCONSISTENT.
                                                  0302
0303
   DO 50 N = 1, K
                                                  0304
   IF (LIST(N) + LIST(K)) 50.250.50
                                                  0305
                                                  0306
0307
C* SINCE WE ARE SCANNING ALL OF MODEL ANYWAY. LET US CHECK TO SEE IF *
                                                 0308
  (A) EACH DISJUNCTION CONTAINS AN UNNEGATED LITERAL, OR (B) EACH *
                                                  0309
C* DISJUNCTION CONTAINS A NEGATED LITERAL.
                                                  0310
0311
 100 DO 106 J = LEAST. LAST
                                                  0312
   IF (MODEL(J)) 101, 106, 102
                                                  0313
 101 SENSE LIGHT 1
                                                  0314
   GO TO 106
                                                  0315
 102 SENSE LIGHT 2
                                                  0316
 106 CONTINUE
                                                  0317
   IF (SENSE LIGHT 1) 108, 107
                                                  0318
 107 LNEG = 1
 108 IF (SENSE LIGHT 2) 110, 109
 109 \text{ LPOS} = 1
                                                  0321
   GO TO 110
                                                  0322
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0323

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C* IF EITHER (A) OR (B) IS THE CASE, WE TERMINATE CONSISTENT. * 0324
  OTHERWISE, IF WE HAVE ANY UNIT DISJUNCTIONS AT ALL ON THE LIST, * 0325
C* SET UP THE SITUATION TO DELETE THE FIRST OF THEM. * 0326
130 IF (LPOS) 131, 260, 131
                                                      0328
 131 IF (LNEG) 4997, 260, 4997
                                                      0329
4997 IF (K) 132.132.4998
                                                      0330
4998 MAXK = 1
                                                       0331
   GO TO 1412
                                                      0332
0333
C* IF WE HAVE NO UNIT DISJUNCTIONSLET US MAKE A LIST OF PURE LITERALS.*
                                                      0334
C* A LITERAL IS SAID TO BE PURE IF EITHER ALL ITS OCCURRENCES IN THE *
                                                      0335
C* MODEL ARE UNNEGATED OR ALL ARE NEGATED.
                                                      0336
132 MAXK = 0
                                                      0338
    K = 0
                                                      0339
    LAST = 0
                                                      0340
0341
C* TURN ON THE SIGN BIT IN MQ. *
                                                      03112
0343
                                                      0344
                                                      0345
   CLA JUNK
                                                      0346
    SSM
S
    STO JUNK
                                                      0347
5
 LDQ JUNK
                                                      0348
S
0349
C* IF WE FIND THAT A LITERAL IS MIXED, I.E., NOT PURE, WE CMIT IT *
C* FROM THE LIST. BUT WE PUT A LITERAL ON THE LIST AS BEING PURE, *
C* UNTIL IT IS PROVED TO BE MIXED. WHEN WE FIND THAT A LITERAL IS *
                                                      0350
                                                      0351
                                                      0352
C* MIXED, WE TAG ITS OCCURRENCE IN LIST (BY PUTTING A BINARY ONE IN *
                                                      0353
  IN THE SECOND BIT POSITION) SO AS TO KNOW IT MUST BE LATER *
                                                      0354
C. *
                                                      0355
C* REMOVED FROM THE LIST.
0356
8300 NEXT = LAST + 1
                                                   0357
    IF (NEXT - MODEND) 8301, 8320, 8320
                                                     0358
8301 LEAST = NEXT + 1
                                                     0359
                                                     0360
    LAST = MODEL (NEXT) + NEXT
                                                      0361
    DO 8303 I = LEAST, LAST
                                                      0362
    DO 8302 J = 1, MAXK
1F (LGORGE - MODEL(I)) 8305,8303,8305
8305 IF (LGORGE + MODEL(I)) 8302,8304,8302
38304 ALIST(J) = ALIST(J) + 200000000000
GO TO 8303
    GEORGE = ALIST(J)*57777777777
                                                      0363
B
                                                      0364
                                                      0365
                                                      0366
B8304
                                                      0367
                                                      0368
8302 CONTINUE
                                                      0369
    MAXK = MAXK + 1
                                                      0370
    LIST(MAXK) = MODEL(I)
                                                      0371
8303 CONTINUE
                                                      0372
    GO TO 8300
0373
C* DELETE FROM THE LIST ALL THE LITERALS WHICH ARE TAGGED. *
                                                      0374
0375
8320 DO 8325 I=1, MAXK
                                                      0376
                                                      0377
B GEORGE = ALIST(I)*20000000000
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0378
   IF (1 GORGE) 8325,8325,8324
                                                  0379
8324 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | = 0
                                                  0380
8325 CONTINUE
C**********************************
                                                 0381
C* THEN PACK DOWN THE LIST TO REMOVE ANY GAPS.
                                                  0382
0383
   0 = 1
                                                  0385
   DO 8330 I = 1, MAXK
                                                  0386
   IF (LIST(I)) 8327, 8330, 8327
                                                  0387
8327 J = J + 1
                                                  0388
   LIST(J) = LIST(I)
                                                  0389
8330 CONTINUE
0300
C* IF WE THEREBY WIND UP WITH AN EMPTY LIST (SO THAT ALL THE LITERALS *
                                                 0391
  IN MODEL ARE MIXED) WE GO TO THE BLASTING PROCEDURE. OTHERWISE WE *
                                                 0392
C *
C* GO TO THE DELETION PROCEDURE.
                                                 0393
0301
                                                 0395
   MAXK = J
                                                 0306
   IF (MAXK) 160, 160, 1412
0397
C* INITIALIZE, PREPARATORY TO SCANNING EACH DISJUNCTION IN MODEL TO *
C* SEE WHETHER LITERALS OCCUR IN THEM WHICH ARE ON LIST, OR WHICH ARE *
C* NEGATIONS OF LITERALS WHICH ARE ON LIST.
                                                 0400
0401
1412 LAST = 0
                                                 0402
0403
C* TURN OFF THE SIGN BIT IN MC
0405
5
    STO JUNK
                                                  0406
    CLA JUNK
                                                  0407
S
    SSP
                                                  0408
    STO JUNK
                                                  0409
    LDQ JUNK
                                                  0410
0411
C* PREPARE TO SCAN THE NEXT DISJUNCTION.
                                                 0412
0413
 1411 NEXT = LAST + 1
                                                  0414
   IF (NEXT - MODEND) 142, 150, 150
                                                  0415
 142 LEAST = NEXT + 1
                                                  0416
   LAST = MODEL(NEXT) + NEXT
                                                  0117
                                                  0418
C* IF THE DISJUNCTION CONTAINS THE NEGATION OF A LITERAL WHICH IS ON *
                                                 0419
C* LIST, DELETE THAT NEGATION FROM THE DISJUNCTION.
                                                  0420
0421
    DO 143 J = LEAST, LAST
                                                  0422
    DO 144 K = 1, MAXK
                                                  0423
    IF (MODEL(J) - LIST(K)) 145, 147, 145
                                                 0424
 145 IF (MCDEL(J) + LIST(K)) 144, 146, 144
                                                 0425
 146 \text{ MODEL (J)} = 0
                                                  0426
    MODEL(NEXT) = MODEL(NEXT) - 1
                                                 0427
    GO TO 143
                                                 0428
0429
C* IF THE DISJUNCTION CONTAINS A LITERAL WHICH IS ON LIST, DELETE THE *
                                                  0430
C* ENTIRE DISJUNCTION.
                                                  0431
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0432
 147 DO 148 M = NEXT. LAST
                                               0433
 148 MODEL(M) = 0
                                               0434
                                               0435
   CO TO 1411
 144 CONTINUE
                                               0436
 143 CONTINUE
                                               0437
   GO TO 1411
                                               0438
0439
C* THE DELETION PROCESS BEING OVER, PACK DOWN MODEL SO AS TO CLOSE UP *
                                               0440
C* ANY GAPS.
                                               0441
0442
 150 J = 0
                                               0443
   DO 154 I = 1, MODEND
IF (MODEL(I)) 153, 154, 153
                                               0444
                                               0445
 153 J = J + 1
   MODEL(J) = MODEL(I)
                                               0447
 154 CONTINUE
                                               0448
   MODEND = J
                                               0449
0450
C* IF THE ENTIRE MODEL HAS VANISHED, TERMINATE CONSISTENT, OTHERWISE *
                                               0451
C* RETURN FOR ANOTHER DAVIS-PUTNAM ITERATION.
                                               0452
0453
                                               0454
   IF (MODEND) 260,260,7115
0455
C* IT IS NECESSARY TO APPLY STEP (6) OF THE DAVIS-PUTNAM PROCESS, AND *
                                              0456
                                              0457
  BLAST OUT A LITERAL FROM MODEL. WE CHOOSE THE FIRST LITERAL IN THE *
C* FIRST DISJUNCTION AS THE PIVOTAL LITERAL TO BE BLASTED CUT.
                                              0458
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                                              0459
                                              0440
 160 LPIVOT = MODEL(2)
                                              0461
   K = MODEND
                                              0462
   LAST = 0
0463
C* SEARCH FOR THE NEXT DISJUNCTION WHICH CONTAINS AN UNNEGATED *
                                              0464
                                              0465
  OCCURRENCE OF THE PIVOTAL LITERAL.
0466
                                              0467
 200 NEXT = LAST + 1
                                              0468
   IF (NEXT - MODEND) 208, 210, 210
                                              0469
 208 LEAST = NEXT + 1
                                              0470
   LAST = MODEL (NEXT) + NEXT
                                              0471
   DO 201 M = LEAST. LAST
                                              0472
   IF (MODEL(M) - LPIVOT) 201, 202, 201
                                              0473
 201 CONTINUE
                                              0474
   GO TO 200
0475
C* HAVING FOUND SUCH A DISJUNCTION (CALL IT A), PREPARE TO FIND *
                                              0476
C* EACH DISJUNCTION IN MODEL WHICH CONTAINS AN OCCURRENCE OF THE
                                              0477
                                              0478
C* NEGATION OF THE PIVOTAL LITERAL.
0479
                                              0480
 202 LOST = 0
0481
C* SEARCH FOR THE NEXT DISJUNCTION WHICH CONTAINS AN OCCURRENCE OF *
                                              0482
                                              0483
 THE PIVOTAL LITERAL.
0484
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203 NAXT = LOST + 1

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IF (NAXT - MODEND) 207, 200, 200
                                                             0486
 207 LUST = NAXT + 1
                                                                0487
     LOST = MODEL (NAXT) + NAXT
                                                                0488
     DO 204 N = LUST, LOST
                                                                0489
     IF (MODEL(N) + LPIVOT) 204, 205, 204
                                                                0490
 204 CONTINUE
                                                                0491
     GO TO 203
                                                                0492
-- 0493
C* HAVING FOUND THE NEXT SUCH DISJUNCTION, (CALL IT B) WE NOW MERGE *
                                                               0494
C#
   A WITH B, DELETING ANY DUPLICATIONS OF LITERALS IN THE RESULT, *
                                                               0495
C .
   AND DELETING THE WHOLE DISJUNCTION IF TWO CONTRADICTORY LITERALS
                                                                0496
C =
   SHOW UP, ONE FROM A AND THE OTHER FROM B. IF THE LENGTH OF MODEL *
                                                                0497
   EXCEEDS CAPACITY DURING THIS PROCESS. TERMINATE BY FLEEING TO
C.#
                                                                0498
C #
  STATEMENT NUMBER 1900. STATEMENTS 174 THRU 231 INVOLVE INTRICATE *
                                                                0499
C* HOUSEKEEPING CHORES CONNECTED WITH THIS MERGING OPERATION.
                                                               0500
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                                                               0501
 205 \text{ NOXT} = K + 1
                                                               0502
     K = NOXT
                                                               0503
                     0504
     I = LEAST
                                   0505
0506
     J = LUST
     1ITS = 0
 191 IF (I - LAST) 190, 190, 193
                                                           0507
 190 IF (J - LOST) 169, 169, 195

169 IF (XABSF(MODEL(I)) - XABSF(MODEL(J))) 1692, 170, 171

0509
 170 IF (MCDEL(I) + MODEL(J)) 172, 173, 172
                                           0510
0511
 173 IF (MODEL(I) - LPIVOT) 175, 174, 175
                                                             0511
 175 K = NOXT - 1
                                                              0512
     GO TO 203
 174 I = I + 1
     J = J + 1
                                                               0515
     GO TO 191
 172 J = J + 1
 1692 K = K + 1
     IF (K - 18000) 1691, 1691, 1900
 1691 LITS = LITS + 1
                                        0520
     MODEL(K) = MODEL(I)
     I = I + 1
                                                   0522
0523
0524
0525
0526
     GO TO 191
 171 K = K + 1
     IF (K - 18000) 1711, 1711, 1900
 1711 LITS = LITS + 1
     MODEL(K) = MODEL(J)
                                                             0527
 193 IF (J - LOST) 1933, 1933, 197

933 CO 194 N = J, LOST

K = K + 1
1933 DO 194 N = J, LOST
     IF (K - 18000) 1931, 1931, 1900
 1931 LITS = LITS + 1
 194 MODEL(K) = MODEL(N)
                                                              0535
    GO TO 197
 195 IF (I - LAST) 1953, 1953, 197
1953 DO 196 M = I, LAST
                                                           0538
    K = K + 1
                                                               0539
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IF (K - 18000) 196, 196, 1900
                                                                0540
 196 MODEL (K) = MODEL (M)
                                                                0541
 197 MODEL (NOXT) = LITS
                                                                0542
     M = 0
                                                                0543
 198 N = M + 1
                                                                0544
     IF (N - MODEND) 199, 203, 203
                                                                0545
 199 L = N + 1
                                                                0546
     M = MODEL(N) + N
                                                                0547
     IF (MCDEL(N) - MODEL(NOXT)) 230. 198. 230
                                                                0548
 230 J = NOXT + 1
                                                                0549
     DO 231 I = L.M
                                                                0550
     IF (MODEL(I) - MODEL(J)) 198, 232, 198
                                                                0551
 232 J = J + 1
                                                                0552
 231 CONTINUE
                                                                0553
     GO TO 175
                                                                0554
0555
C* SET UP THE NEW DISJUNCTIONS SO THAT ONE PASS THROUGH THE DELETION *
                                                                0556
C*
  PROCESS WILL ELIMINATE EACH DISJUNCTION WHICH, IN THE OLD MODEL,
                                                                0557
C* CONTAINED EITHER THE PIVOTAL LITERAL OR ITS NEGATION. THEN
                                                                0558
C* PROCEED TO THE DELETION PROCESS.
                                                                0559
0560
 210 MODEND = K
                                                                0561
     DO 240 I = 1, MODEND
                                                                0562
     IF (MODEL(I) + LPIVOT) 240, 241, 240
                                                                0563
 241 MODEL(I) = LPIVOT
                                                                0564
 240 CONTINUE
                                                                0565
     LIST(1) = LPIVOT
                                                                0566
                                                                0567
     MAXK = 1
                                                                0568
     GO TO 1412
0569
C* WE HAVE COME HERE BECAUSE THE INSTANTIATION PROCEDURE HAS REACHED *
                                                                0570
C* A DAVIS-PUTNAM TESING POINT. IF WE ARE IN MANUAL MODE, WITH NO
                                                                0571
C* REQUEST FOR A TEST. WE RETURN TO THE INSTANTIATION PROCESS.
                                                                0572
C* OTHERWISE WE FIRST DETERMINE WHETHER THE UPCOMING TEST WILL BE
                                                                0573
  THE LAST. SAVE MODEL AND MATRIX, AND SEND CONTROL TO THE DAVIS-
                                                                0574
C*
                                                                0575
C =
   PUTNAM TESTING PROCESS.
                                                                0576
0577
8000 IF (SENSE SWITCH 4) 8004,8003
                                                                0578
8004 IF (SENSE SWITCH 5)8003,8
8003 WRITETAPE3, (MODEND, (MODEL(I), I=1, MODEND), (MATRIX(I), I=1, MATEND))
                                                                0579
     IF (INS - LPHI) 80,80,8001
                                                                0580
                                                                0581
8001 SENSE LIGHT 4
                                                                0582
     GO TO 80
0583
C* THE PROBLEM IS CONSISTENT. OUTPUT TO ON-LINE PRINTER AND TAPE 2.
                                                                0584
                                                                0585
C* AND RETURN FOR THE NEXT PROBLEM.
0586
                                                                0587
 260 BACKSPACE 3
     READTAPES, (MODEND, (MODEL(I), I=1, MODEND), (MATRIX(I), I=1, MATEND))
                                                                0588
                                                                0589
     IF (SENSE LIGHT 4) 8002,8
                                                                0590
8002 LATER = MINUTE(X,Y,Z)
                                                                0591
     LAPSED = LATER - NOW
                                                                0592
     PRINT 1202, (LEAD(I), I=1, LEADMX)
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PRINT 1210

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PRINT 1204 . 1 APSED
                                                                  0594
     WRITE OUTPUT TAPE 2.1202. (LEAD(I).I=1.LEADMX)
                                                                  0595
     WRITE OUTPUT TAPE 2,1210
                                                                  0596
     WRITE OUTPUT TAPE 2, 1204, LAPSED, ITERAT, LTEST
                                                                  0597
     WRITE OUTPUT TAPE 2.1000. (MODEL (I). I=1. MCDEND)
                                                                  0598
     GO TO 1
                                                                  0599
0600
C* THE PROBLEM IS INCONSISTENT. CUTPUT TO THE ON-LINE PRINTER AND *
                                                                 0601
C* TAPE 2, AND RETURN FOR NEXT PROBLEM.
                                                                 0602
0603
 250 LATER = MINUTE(X,Y,Z)
                                                                 0604
     LAPSED = LATER - NOW
                                                                 0605
     PRINT 1202, (LEAD(I), I=1, LEADMX)
                                                                 0606
     PRINT 1203
                                                                 0607
     PRINT 1204, LAPSED
                                                                 9040
     WRITE CUTPUT TAPE 2,1202, (LEAD(I), I=1, LEADMX)
                                                                 0609
     WRITE CUTPUT TAPE 2,1203
                                                                 0610
 291 WRITE OUTPUT TAPE 2.1204.LAPSED.ITERAT.LTEST
                                                                 0611
     BACKSPACE 3
                                                                 0612
     READ TAPE 3, (MODEND, (MODEL(I), I=1, MODEND))
                                                                 0613
     WRITE OUTPUT TAPE 2,1000, (MODEL(I), I=1, MODEND)
                                                                 0614
                                                                 0615
0616
C* CAPACITY HAS BEEN EXCEEDED. OUTPUT REMARK TO ON-LINE PRINTER, AND *
                                                                 0617
C* RETURN FOR NEXT PROBLEM.
                                                                 0618
0619
 1900 LATER = MINUTE(X,Y,Z)
                                                                 0620
     LAPSED = LATER - NOW
                                                                 0621
     PRINT 1202, (LEAD(I), I=1, LEADMX)
                                                                 0622
     PRINT 1205, LAPSED
                                                                 0623
     GO TO 1
                                                                 0624
 1000 FORMAT (7014)
                                                                 0625
 1001 FORMAT (5014)
                                                                 0626
 1002 FORMAT (7014)
                                                                 0627
 1003 FORMAT (7014)
                                                                 0628
 1004 FORMAT (6H025, , 8014)
 1005 FORMAT (6H046, , 416)
                                                                 0630
 1006 FORMAT (6H037, , 16)
                                                                 0631
 1200 FORMAT (1216)
                                                                 0632
 1201 FORMAT (12A6)
                                                                 0633
 1202 FORMAT (1HO, 19A6)
                                                                 0634
 1203 FORMAT (14HOINCONSISTENT.)
                                                                 0635
1204 FORMAT (28HOTIME ELAPSED, IN MINUTES = , 314)
                                                                 0636
1205 FORMAT (20HOFORCED STOP AFTER , 14.31H MINUTES, WITH NO PROCE FO
                                                                 0637
    1UND.)
                                                                 0638
1210 FORMAT (12HOCONSISTENT.)
                                                                 0639
3001 FORMAT (1HO, 15)
                                                                 0640
3997 FORMAT (EHOTF TEST)
                                                                 0641
     END (0,1,0,0,1)
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